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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Temperatures recovered rapidly from the freeze that was reported at the beginning of the period. Ninety degree readings were common on Tuesday and Wednesday. Averages for the week were slightly above normal.

Precipitation was confined to scattered light showers near the close of the period. Rainfall totals were mostly less than 1/4 inch.

There was considerable wind and sunshine, humidities were moderate.

CROPS Corn and milo made good progress toward maturity and seasonal development continued about a week ahead of normal. By the end of last week, one-half of the corn was in the dent stage and about one-third rated mature. The crop is promising in the central and eastern districts barring possible damage from an early frost. Milo has done very well and prospective yields are generally good to excellent. Cutting corn and milo for silage was underway in most areas. Much of the acreage in the Panhandle and a few central counties has been damaged by frost. Harvesting of milo for grain is just beginning. Late plantings of both crops need at least two or three weeks of frost-free weather to reach maturity.

Soybeans have shown good progress and a few have been combined. The dry bean harvest in the Panhandle has been at a standstill as the result of frost damage earlier. Although the sugar beets have been hurt very little by frost they are poorer than usual and need some time to develop size. A few potatoes in the western counties have been dug but most growers are waiting to give the crop a chance to improve in quality. Some safflower has been harvested.

Seeding of winter wheat made good headway and about one-half of the intended acreage is planted. Most of the activity occurred in the eastern counties where operations had been slowed by lack of moisture. Planting is about done in the western counties and well along in other areas. Some early planted wheat is up and more rainfall is needed to replenish surface moisture and give the crop a good start. About four-fifths of the rye and 90 percent of the legumes are seeded.

The third cutting of alfalfa is nearly finished and about two-fifths of the fourth crop has been harvested. Hay and forage supplies are generally ample to abundant. Ranges and pastures are in average condition or better in all areas.

LIVESTOCK All livestock are maintaining good condition and production rates are high. Feeder livestock sales are increasing in volume. Shipments of feeder cattle and calves into the State during August amounted to 107,000 head, 14 percent above a year earlier. For July and August receipts were 9 percent over last year's two months total. Lambs shipped into the State during August totaled 31,000 head, 45 percent under August 1961. For the two months, arrivals were 53,000 head, 31 percent less than July-August 1961.

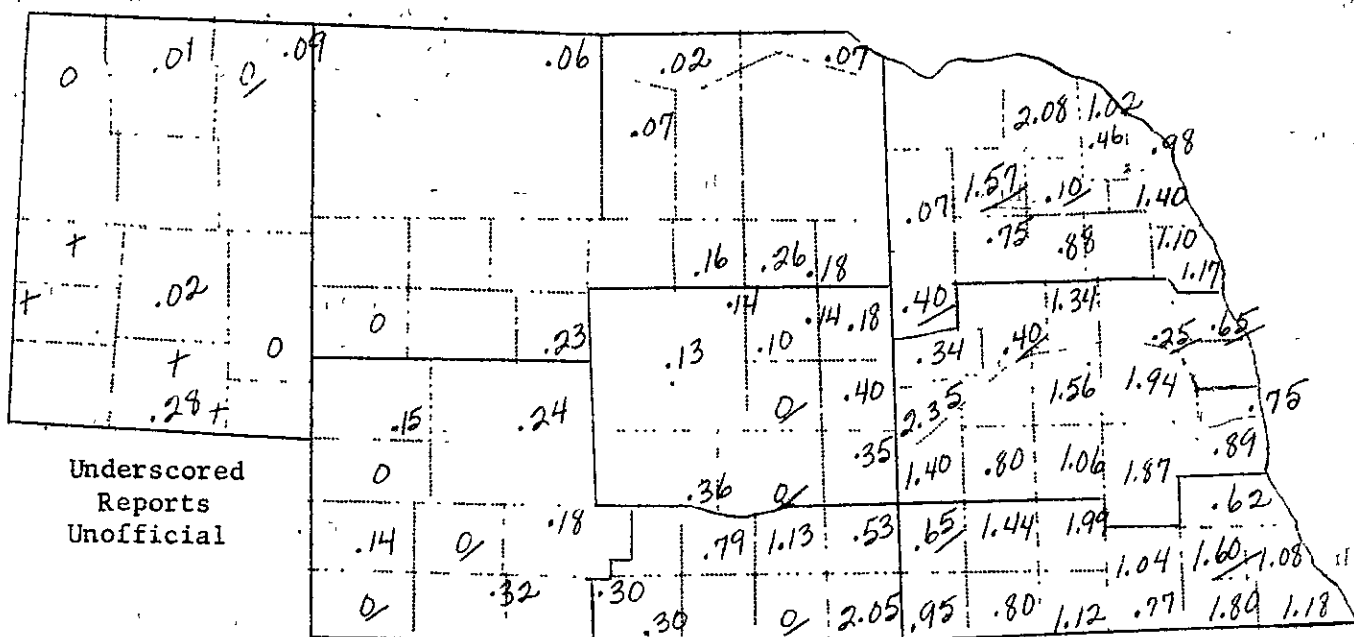
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 17, 1962

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.56	Burwell	.51	Chadron	0
Lincoln	.28	North Platte	0	Imperial	.30
Norfolk	.07	Valentine	.10	Scottsbluff	0
Omaha	.74			Sidney	.45
Sioux City	.11				

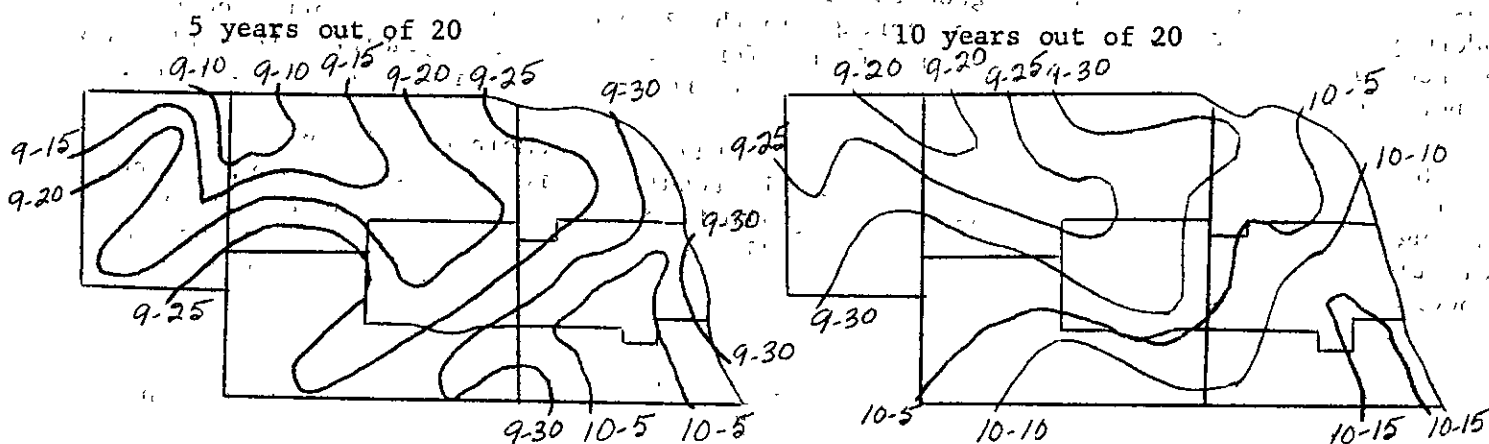
Precipitation, April 1 - September 14, 1962

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.05	.12	.86	.27	1.40	.19	.86	1.20
Total since April 1	15.23	21.35	22.07	22.15	20.15	22.35	21.15	20.45
Normal since April 1	12.04	14.50	17.44	15.86	18.72	13.69	16.22	20.28

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 14, 1962



Freezing temperatures are likely to occur before the given date in approximately:



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m. CST)

		September		11th		12th		13th		14th		15th		16th		17th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	84	48	94	43	85	43	85	57	77	43	90	52	82	44		
	Scottsbluff	84	47	92	50	85	45	83	56	86	49	88	58	79	51		
	Sidney	81	50	91	51	87	50	83	57	83	53	84	57	80	55		
NC	Burwell	80	48	90	51	87	59	78	49	81	59	85	60	78	--		
	Valentine	81	55	97	53	77	45	79	53	77	51	84	62	78	49		
NE	Norfolk	73	54	83	62	91	60	77	49	81	63	80	60	79	54		
	Sioux City	69	51	83	61	89	66	77	52	81	61	82	65	80	56		
CEN	Grand Island	74	51	81	60	89	53	79	49	80	62	80	59	80	53		
EC	Lincoln	75	58	82	70	90	70	77	55	85	67	84	65	80	58		
	Omaha	69	54	80	70	89	69	77	55	83	62	84	65	78	57		
SW	Imperial	83	43	94	52	88	50	86	52	82	58	86	59	82	58		
	North Platte	83	49	91	46	84	51	83	51	76	60	84	61	78	57		

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